GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5196
ANSWERED ON:05.04.2017
Wi-Fi at Stations
Biju Shri Parayamparanbil Kuttappan

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government is considering to equip all railway stations in the country with Wi-Fi facility;

(b) if so, whether the Government has taken any steps, so far, in this regard;

(c) if so, whether the Government is also contemplating equipping the railway stations located in Kerala with Wi-Fi facility; and

(d) if so, the number of such stations and by when they will be equipped with this facility and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.
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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5196 BY SHRI P. K. BIJU TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 05.04.2017 REGARDING WI-FI AT STATIONS

(a): Ministry of Railways has decided to provide Wi-Fi facility only at A1, A, B & C Category Railway Stations on Indian Railways.
(b): Railway Ministry has mandated RailTel Corporation of India Limited, a PSU under the Ministry to execute the work.
(c): Yes, Madam. All A1, A & B Category Railway Stations located in Kerala are also planned to be provided with Wi-Fi facility.
(d): As per the plan, 28 stations (A1, A & B Category) in the State of Kerala are to be provided with Wi-Fi facility (Total 709 stations over Indian Railways). As on date, the facility has been commissioned in 06 stations. Work at balance stations will be taken up in a phased manner as no capital expenditure is being done by Railways and work at all stations are targeted for completion by March, 2020.
List of Stations in Kerala State is appended.
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